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Report Highlights:

In 2001, French production of fresh tomatoes amounted to approximately 866,000 MT. In 2002, production is expected to decline to 860,000 MT, due mainly to reduced production of tomatoes for the fresh market. In France, much of fresh tomato production is processed and transformed into tomato paste.

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Executive Summary

Total French tomato production is estimated at approximately 866,000 MT in 2001, including 568,000 MT tomatoes for the fresh market and 298,000 MT tomatoes for processing. Tomato production for the fresh market is expected to decline to 563,000 MT in 2002.

Section I: Situation and Outlook

Tomatoes for the Fresh Market

According to the French Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, 2000, 2001 and 2002 French production of fresh tomatoes are as follows:

		2000	2001	2002
Area Planted (ha)	Greenhouses	2,097	2,135	2,159
	Open Fields	1,305	1,293	968
	Total Area	3,402	3,428	3,127
Production (MT)	Greenhouses	477,697	506,321	515,707
	Open Fields	60,135	62,166	47,551
	Total Production	537,832	568,487	563,258
Yields (MT/ha)	Greenhouses	228	237	239
	Open Fields	46	48	49

France's leading tomato producing companies are as follows:

Companies	Production 2000 (in MT)	Production 2001 (estimate, in MT)	Number of Producers	Acreage (ha)
SMO (Saveol) http://www.saveol.com	65,000	72,000	120	182
Sica St Pol de Léon	42,000	55,000	130	160
AMS (Rougeline) http://www.rougeline.com	46,000	48,000	75	145
Odelis	24,000	25,000	28	76
Solarenn	16,000	18,000	29	50
Alliance Saveur Soleil	14,000	16,500	31	134

Tomatoes for Processing

In Europe, France is a minor producer of processed tomato products, with 4 percent of the total European production. The EU threshold for France set in 2001 by the EU under the reformed common market organization (CMO) for fruits and vegetables was 401,500 MT of fresh tomatoes.

Under the CMO reform of 2001, the minimum price for fresh tomato to be processed is no longer applicable. This price is now set by the producer organization (PO) and the processor. Only tomatoes delivered by a PO and corresponding to some quality standards will get subsidies from the EU. These subsidies will be received by the POs, which will be charged with distributing the funds to their members.

In 2001, Italy exceeded its national threshold. Consequently, all EU member states producing tomatoes for processing were penalized. The subsidy for French tomato growers was reduced from 34.5 €/MT to 3.14€/MT for the 2001 crop.

In France, there are 10 POs and producer groups of tomatoes for processing: namely, Camaret, Apto-2, Apaaf, Copatomate, Val Soleil, Audecoop, Sicom, Uniproledi, Maisadour, and Capel-la Quercynoise. 80 percent of tomatoes grown for processing are located in southeastern France.

Deliveries of fresh tomatoes to processors amounted to the following in 2000, 2001 and 2002 (in MT):

	Deliveries 2000	Deliveries 2001	Deliveries 2002
Tomato Paste	245,300	240,000	240,000
Canned Whole Peeled Tomatoes	23,160	8,600	8,600
Other Tomato Products	55,500	49,000	49,000
Total	323,960	297,600	297,600

Information on the world market for processed tomatoes can be found on the following internet web site: <http://www.tomate.org> This web site includes information in English and French on the world production, regional organizations for processed tomatoes, and companies processing tomatoes.

Section II: Statistical Tables

PS&D Tables

PSD Table						
Country	France					
Commodity	Fresh Tomatoes				(HA)(MT)	
	Revised	2000	Preliminary	2001	Forecast	2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		01/2000		01/2000		01/2000
Plnt For Fresh Consump	3402	3402	3428	3428	0	3127
Plnt For Processing	5112	5112	5000	3662	0	3600
TOTAL Area Planted	8514	8514	8428	7090	0	6727
Harv. For Fresh Cons.	3402	3402	3428	3428	0	3127
Harv. For Processing	5112	5112	5000	3662	0	3600
TOTAL Area Harvested	8514	8514	8428	7090	0	6727
Fresh Sale Production	537832	537832	568487	568487	0	563487
Processing Production	313969	323960	298000	297600	0	297000
TOTAL Production	851801	861792	866487	866087	0	860487
TOTAL SUPPLY	851801	861792	866487	866087	0	860487

Sources: SCEES, Tomato Processors, Eurostat

PSD Table						
Country	France					
Commodity	Canned Tomatoes				(MT)(MT, Net Weight)	
	Revised	2000	Preliminary	2001	Forecast	2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		08/2000		08/2001		08/2002
Deliv. To Processors	23160	23160	10000	8600	0	8600
Beginning Stocks	9719	9719	8484	8484	4484	8000
Production	16030	16030	7000	5900	0	5900
Imports	88629	88629	93000	95000	0	95000
TOTAL SUPPLY	114378	114378	108484	109384	4484	108900
Exports	5894	5894	4000	5500	0	5500
Domestic Consumption	100000	100000	100000	95884	0	95400
Ending Stocks	8484	8484	4484	8000	0	8000
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	114378	114378	108484	109384	0	108900

Sources: Tomato Processors, Eurostat

PSD Table						
Country	France					
Commodity	Tom. Paste,28-30% TSS Basis				(MT)(MT, Net Weight)	
	Revised	2000	Preliminary	2001	Forecast	2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		08/2000		08/2001		08/2002
Deliv. To Processors	244663	245300	239000	240000	0	240000
Beginning Stocks	38644	38644	65829	60000	77829	66200
Production	43000	43100	40000	42200	0	42200
Imports	84177	84177	80000	70000	0	70000
TOTAL SUPPLY	165821	165921	185829	172200	77829	178400
Exports	5992	5992	10000	6000	0	6000
Domestic Consumption	94000	99929	98000	100000	0	105000
Ending Stocks	65829	60000	77829	66200	0	67400
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	165821	165921	185829	172200	0	178400

Sources: Tomato processors, Eurostat

Trade Matrices:

Please note that the following tables are for partial (6 months) marketing years, i.e., August 2000-January 2001 and August 2001-January 2002 .

Fresh Tomatoes:

Export Trade Matrix			
Country	France		
Commodity	Fresh Tomatoes		
Time period	Aug-Jan	Units:	MT
Exports for:	2000		2001
U.S.		U.S.	
Others		Others	
Germany	19877	Germany	16610
Belgium	7311	Belgium	5181
Switzerland	2912	Italy	2854
UK	2764	Czech Republic	2850
Netherlands	2572	Switzerland	2770
Italy	2435	UK	2325
Spain	2178	Spain	2234
		Russia	2166
		Netherlands	1796
Total for Others	40049		38786
Others not Listed	5855		4559
Grand Total	45904		43345

Source: Eurostat

Import Trade Matrix			
Country	France		
Commodity	Fresh Tomatoes		
Time period	Aug-Jan	Units:	MT
Imports for:	2000		2001
U.S.		U.S.	
Others		Others	
Morocco	83092	Morocco	86207
Spain	54940	Spain	51636
Belgium	11223	Belgium	10343
Netherlands	6832	Netherlands	6716
Italy	6286	Italy	2828
Israel	2945	Germany	2065
Turkey	1918	Israel	1887
Total for Others	167236		161682
Others not Listed	3494		2087
Grand Total	170730		163769

Source: Eurostat

Canned Tomatoes:

Export Trade Matrix			
Country	France		
Commodity	Canned Tomatoes		
Time period	Aug-Jan	Units:	1000
Exports for:	2000		2001
U.S.		U.S.	
Others		Others	
Belgium	1118	Belgium	1200
UK	477	Luxembourg	474
Netherlands	462	UK	419
Total for Others	2057		2093
Others not Listed	803		746
Grand Total	2860		2839

Source: Eurostat

Import Trade Matrix			
Country	France		
Commodity	Canned Tomatoes		
Time period	Aug-Jan	Units:	MT
Imports for:	2000		2001
U.S.		U.S.	
Others		Others	
Italy	23175	Italy	28963
Spain	10236	Spain	11605
Netherlands	2763	Netherlands	2319
Portugal	2556	Germany	1179
Germany	1259		
Total for Others	39989		44066
Others not Listed	1666		1792
Grand Total	41655		45858

Source: Eurostat

Tomato Paste:

Export Trade Matrix			
Country	France		
Commodity	Tom. Paste,28-30% TSS Basis		
Time period	Aug-Jan	Units:	MT
Exports for:	2000		2001
U.S.		U.S.	
Others		Others	
Belgium	730	Belgium	721
Germany	476	Luxemburg	137
Netherlands	170	Germany	126
UK	142		
Total for Others	1518		984
Others not Listed	494		186
Grand Total	2012		1170

Source: Eurostat

Import Trade Matrix			
Country	France		
Commodity	Tom. Paste,28-30% TSS Basis		
Time period	Aug-Jan	Units:	MT
Imports for:	2000		2001
U.S.		U.S.	
Others		Others	
Italy	13226	Italy	10250
Spain	6360	Spain	5549
Portugal	3123	Portugal	2045
Netherlands	1090	Netherlands	1352
Total for Others	23799		19196
Others not Listed	2214		869
Grand Total	26013		20065

Source: Eurostat